

HISTORICAL FACT SHEET Telephone Industry Related Companies



COMPANY Wire & Telephone Company of America

DATE ORGANIZED 1905

WHERE ORGANIZED Rome, NY

FOUNDER(S) C.F.N.Niles, S.C.Houghton, J.S.Dyett; Pres
Oliver Shiras.; VP, H.T. Dyett, Tres/Sec

NATURE OF BUSINESS Manufacturer

Subsequent names or significant changes resulting from acquisitions, consolidation, sales or bankruptcies:

Ceased telephone operations

DATE

1907-08

Name changed to Rome Wire Company

1909

REMARKS The company was formed to manufacture copper, magnetic and rubber coated wire, telephones (based on the patents of H.C. Houghton and F. M. Potter) and telephone supplies. In a very competitive telephone field the company began to focus more on producing and selling wire and closed their telephone division within two years.

Sources: Telephony, 1906; NY Times, 1905; American Telephone Journal, 1906, Rome Historical Society, 2004

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THE WIRE & TELEPHONE COMPANY OF AMERICA
ROME, N. Y.

Long Distance Hand Telephone
Long Horseshoe Magnet Receiver

SOLID BACK TRANSMITTER SINGLE COIL RINGER
NO EXPOSED CONNECTIONS REVERSIBLE HOOK

EXPOSED BELL ADJUSTMENT
INDESTRUCTIBILITY

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THE WIRE & TELEPHONE COMPANY OF AMERICA
ROME, N. Y.

No. 851,355.

PATENTED APR. 23, 1907.

S. C. HOUGHTON.
TELEPHONE TRANSMITTER.
APPLICATION FILED MAR. 7, 1907.

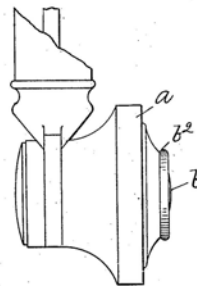


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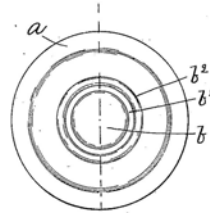


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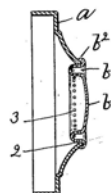


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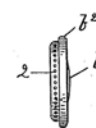
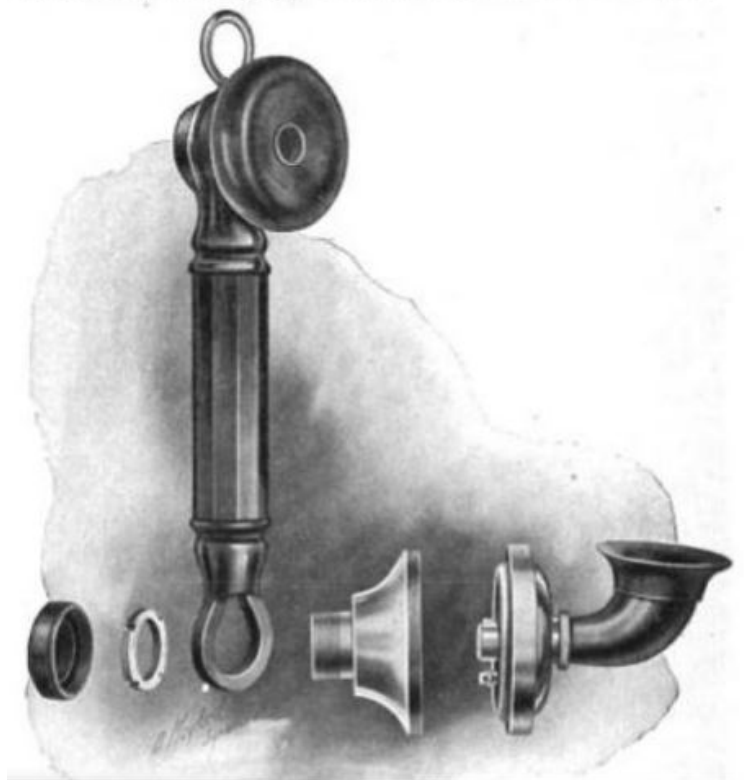


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